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I have a number of requests for the FDA, I feel the area of poultry and eggs needs much attention. In 1998 there was a petition to ban forced molting. It should be granted now! The FDA has jurisdiction to ban farm practices, such as forced molting, that injure human health--to say nothing of the health of the hen. There is no doubt, as it has been shown scientifically, that forced molting destroys the immune systems of starving hens. It's crucial that this ban be enforced immediately. The cruel practice of forced molting is the primary cause of infectious diseases in hens, eggs, and the CONSUMERS of eggs. Until this situation is remedied warning labels should be put on egg cartons and refrigeration temperatures regulated. I don't understand the lack of action pertaining to this situation.

Very sincerely,


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